

and partner with other stakeholders to develop solutions that will significantly address environmental and/or public health issue(s) in communities disproportionately burdened by environmental harms and risks. With this Information Collection Request (ICR), EPA seeks authorization to collect information to track progress made by the EJCPs and EJG2G grantees and their partnerships. Collection of this information enables EPA to assess and manage these two programs, which ensures responsible stewardship of public funds; rigorous evidence-based learning and improvement; and transparent accountability to the American public. This ICR also requests authorization for the grantees to collect input and insights from communities who seek to benefit from project services, as well as stakeholders who have valuable experience and expertise in community engagement and empowerment. These information collections will enable the grantees to document local priorities, needs, and norms to ensure that they develop useful and relevant projects and training services. Furthermore, feedback about these services will enable the grantees to conduct self-assessments to identify best practices and areas for improvement.

*Form numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Recipients of financial assistance awards from the EJCPs and EJG2G programs; stakeholders; community members.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory for grant recipients as per reporting requirements included in EPA regulations 2 CFR parts 200 and 1500, and voluntary for public outreach information collections via surveys and focus groups.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 186 grantees and approximately 7,000 members of the public.

*Frequency of response:* One work plan, two semi-annual progress reports per year the grant is active; one final report. Variable numbers of surveys and focus groups per year.

*Total estimated burden:* 24,699 hours per year.

*Total estimated cost:* \$835,759 per year.

*Changes in the estimates:* This is a new collection; therefore there is no change in burden.

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*Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Community Support, Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OLEM-2024-0045; FRL-11716-01-OLEM]

### Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System ("e-Manifest") Advisory Board: Request for Public Input for Charge Questions to the Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Public notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites the public to provide input for potential charge questions which the Agency could consider when consulting the e-Manifest Advisory Board ("Advisory Board") regarding the operations of EPA's hazardous waste electronic manifest system ("e-Manifest"). Relevant topics could include matters related to the operational activities, functions, policies, and regulations of EPA under the e-Manifest Act. The Advisory Board was established pursuant to the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment Act, (e-Manifest Act), and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The purpose of the Advisory Board is to provide recommendations to the EPA Administrator on matters related to the e-Manifest program activities, functions, policies, and regulations of the EPA under the e-Manifest Act. EPA consults the Advisory Board at least annually.

**DATES:** Advisory Board charge recommendations comments must be received on or before March 22, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Advisory Board charge question recommendations should be submitted to the public docket under docket No. EPA-HQ-OLEM-2024-0045 at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Jenkins, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery, email: [jenkins.fred@epa.gov](mailto:jenkins.fred@epa.gov); phone: 202-566-0344.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System Advisory Board is established in accordance with the provisions of the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest Establishment Act (e-Manifest Act) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The Advisory Board is in the public interest and supports the EPA in performing its duties and responsibilities. The Advisory Board meets annually to discuss, evaluate the effectiveness of, and provide

recommendations about the system to the EPA Administrator. For more information, please visit the Advisory Board website at <https://www.epa.gov/e-manifest/hazardous-waste-electronic-manifest-system-e-manifest-advisory-board>.

To help ensure that the e-Manifest system is meeting the needs of its user community, EPA is inviting the public to suggest potential charges for which the Agency could consider asking the Advisory Board to address during future public meetings of the Advisory Board. A charge includes focused questions on a specific topic upon which the Agency could seek to obtain advice or recommendations from the Advisory Board. Relevant topics could include matters related to the operational activities, functions, policies, and regulations of EPA under the e-Manifest Act.

While EPA is soliciting public input on potential future charge questions for the Advisory Board, EPA notes the Agency has sole discretion in determining charge questions ultimately posed to the Advisory Board. EPA also notes that the Advisory Board only provides advice and recommendations to EPA, and EPA in turn considers such advice when making decisions pertaining to the e-Manifest system.

Dated: February 14, 2024.

**Carolyn Hoskinson,**

*Director, Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-11753-01-ORD]

### EPA Board of Scientific Counselors; Notice of Charter Renewal

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of charter renewal.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the EPA Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC) is in the public interest and is necessary in connection with the performance of EPA's duties. Accordingly, the BOSC will be renewed for an additional two-year period. The purpose of the BOSC is to provide advice and recommendations to the Administrator regarding the Office of Research and Development's National Research Programs.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Inquiries may be directed to Tom Tracy, U.S. EPA, (Mail Code B343-01), 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-4334, or [tracy.tom@epa.gov](mailto:tracy.tom@epa.gov).

**Mary Ross,**

*Director, Office of Science Advisor, Policy, and Engagement.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-1283; FR ID 201899]

### Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to Office of Management and Budget

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.” The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted on or before March 22, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Your comment must be submitted into [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov) per the above instructions for it to be considered. In addition to submitting in [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov) also send a copy of your comment on the proposed

information collection to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email to [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) and to [Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov](mailto:Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov). Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418-2991. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) go to the web page <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the web page called “Currently Under Review,” (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review” heading, (4) select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the “Select Agency” box, (5) click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the Title of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the FCC invited the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107-198, see 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4), the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.”

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-1283.

*Title:* Improving Outage Reporting for Submarine Cables and Enhanced Submarine Outage Data.

*Form Number:* Not applicable.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently information collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 85 respondents; 154 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Obligation to Respond:* Mandatory. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 154(i)-(j) & (o), 405, and the Cable Landing License Act of 1921, 47 U.S.C. 34-39, and 3 U.S.C. 301, and Exec. Order No. 10530.

*Total Annual Burden:* 308 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* No Cost.

*Needs and Uses:* Section 151 of the Communications Act of 1934 (Act), as amended, requires the Commission to promote the safety of life and property through the use of wire and radio communications. Additionally, the Cable Landing License Act, (47 U.S.C. 34-39), and Executive Order 10530, provide the Commission with authority to grant, withhold, condition and revoke submarine cable landing licenses. Further, the Cable Landing License Act and Executive Order 10530 provide that the Commission may place conditions on the grant of a submarine cable landing license in order to assure just and reasonable rates and service in the operation and use of cables so licensed. “Just and reasonable service” entails assurance that the cable infrastructure will be reasonably available. Availability of submarine cables is also critically important for national security and the economy because submarine cables carry approximately 95 percent of international communications traffic and are the primary means of connectivity for numerous U.S. states and territories.

This collection is part of the Commission’s NORS outage reporting regime. As with the other information collection collected in NORS regarding other communications services (under OMB Control No. 3060-0484), this collection facilitates FCC monitoring, analysis, and investigation of the reliability and security of submarine cable networks, and to identify and act on potential threats to our Nation’s telecommunications infrastructure. Drawing from a decade of experience in outage reporting, the Commission will seek an ongoing dialogue with submarine cable licensees, as well as with the industry at large, regarding lessons learned from the new information collection. These efforts will help the Commission develop a better understanding of the root causes of significant outages, and to explore